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SUBJ: AN/TPS-32 RADAR, USG INSPECTION

1. FOLLOWING LETTER RECEIVED FROM GOK MOD UNDERSECRETARY (ROUGH TRANSLATION - SUBSTANTIVE PORTION ONLY). QUOTE
REFERENCE IS MADE TO PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR TWO AN/TPS-32 RADARS FROM THE AMERICAN COMPANY GILCRON ON 4 JULY 1974, WHICH SETS YOUR GOVERNMENT WAS CHARGED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY TO EXAMINE AND ACCEPT ON BEHALF OF THE STATE OF KUWAIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE'S LETTER NUMBER 4A/76/466 OF 16 NOVEMBER 1974, WE INFORM YOU:

(1) RADAR AN/TPS-32 WAS RECEIVED BY THE STATE OF KUWAIT ON 28 FEBRUARY 76. GILCRON CO. REPRESENTATIVE MADE TESTS, TECHNICAL EXAMINATION AND MEASUREMENT OF ALL PARAMETERS FOR THE SET AFTER SETTING IT UP.

(2) THE SET WAS MOVED AND STATIONED AT A LOCATION SELECTED AND DETERMINED IN ASSOCIATION WITH GILCRON REPRESENTATIVES WHEN THEY WERE IN KUWAIT IN JULY 75. THE COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE SET UP THE SET TO CARRY OUT THE TECHNICAL EXAMINATION. THE EXAMINATION WAS COMPLETED ON 27 MARCH 1976.

(3) DURING THE PERIOD 28 - 30 MARCH 1976, TEST SORTIES

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WERE MADE TO VERIFY THE SCOPE OF DISCOVERY OF THE RADAR

AT LOW AND MEDIUM ALTITUDE, BUT THE SET DID NOT REALIZE THE TACTICAL QUALITIES AS TO RANGE AND DISCOVERY.

(4) SINCE TESTING THE QUALITIES OF THE SET IS CONSIDERED A JOINT RESPONSIBILITY OF GILCRON CO. AND US DEPT OF DEFENSE, AND SINCE THE REPRESENTATIVES OF GILCRON WHO ARE CURRENTLY IN KUWAIT ARE UNABLE TO EXPLAIN THE REASONS FOR THE FAILURE OF THE SET TO REALIZE ITS TACTICAL QUALITIES, IT IS REQUESTED:

(A) TO CONTACT GILCRON CO. TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES WHO CAN CARRY OUT A PRACTICAL TEST FOR THE SET AND REALIZE ALL THE TACTICAL SPECIFICATIONS.

(B) TO CONTACT YOUR GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND THIS TEST, SINCE IT IS THE AUTHORITY THAT TOOK DELIVERY OF THE SET FROM GILCRON CO. AND TO VERIFY THE CONFORMITY OF ACTUAL TACTICAL SPECIFICATIONS WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS SET OUT IN THE DOCUMENTS. WITH BEST WISHES. UNQUOTE.

2. MOD LTR 4A/76/466 OF 16NOV74 FORWARDED SIGNED DSA FORM 929 FOR DCAS INSPECTION OF EQUIPMENT.

3. GILCRON HAS BROUGHT IN ONE ENGINEER IN ADDITION TO THREE RESIDENT TECH REPS. PROBLEMS NOT RESOLVED. GENERAL NATURE OF COMPLAINT IS THAT EXCESSIVE CLUTTER PROHIBITS TARGET DETECTION.

4. IN ADDITION, SECOND SET NOW AWAITING SHIPMENT. VERBALLY, KADF HAS REQUESTED THAT ACTION BE TAKEN TO ENSURE SECOND SET DOES NOT HAVE SAME PROBLEMS.

5. REQUEST ADVISE.
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